BEFORE THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 354

IN THE MATTER OF:		Served April 14, 1964
Application of A. B. & W. Transit Company for Increase) Application No. 263	
in Rates	5	Docket No. 55

The A. B. & W. Transit Company has filed the following Tariffs, accompanied by the required application, setting forth new increased fares and rules, regulations and practices, affecting such fares:

- 1. Supplement No. 1 to WMATC No. 5.
- 2. Supplement No. 1 to WMATC No. 2.
- 3. WMATC No. 13.

The Tariffs were issued March 26, 1964, to become effective April 27, 1964. In general, the Tariffs propose a five cent increase for each fare. The Commission is of the opinion that the Tariffs should be suspended and the use of the rates and charges stated therein deferred in order that the Commission may give consideration to the financial condition of the Company, its revenue requirements, and determine whether it is being operated economically and efficiently, to enable the Commission to determine whether the proposed fares are just and reasonable.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That an investigation be made and hearing held concerning the propriety and reasonableness of the proposed fares and regulations.
- 2. That pending investigation and hearing, and decision thereon, the aforesaid Tariffs stating increased rates and changes be, and they hereby are, suspended, and the use of the rates and charges stated therein deferred until July 25, 1964, unless otherwise ordered, to enable the Commission to investigate the propriety and reasonableness of said rates and charges, and to provide time for the Commission staff to make an audit and report covering the matters involved herein.

3. That a hearing on this matter be held on May 15, 1964, at 9:30 a.m., in the County Board Room, Arlington County Courthouse, Arlington, Virginia.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION:

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Executive Director